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REMARKS

1.  two classes of conscripts were inducted in the fall of 1950. Prior to the inductions, the Rumanian army numbered 120,000 men, excluding the troops of the Ministry of the Interior. \*

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2.  the induction of recruits on 15 November 1950 affected more recruits than usual. He said that the increase in the number of conscripts was due to the forthcoming activation of new regiments. The shortage of barracks space in Bucharest made it necessary to quarter a portion of the new recruits in the woods of Otopeni (R 43-44/C 65).

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Comment. The report fails to specify whether the figure of 120,000 includes the personnel of the Rumanian Air Force and Navy. Even if the figure referred only to the Rumanian Army, it would seem very low, because it would be just the strength fixed in the peace treaty for the Rumanian Army  estimated at not less than 150,000 men in the summer of 1950, an estimate that is still far below the usual newspaper estimates, which fluctuate between 200,000 and 300,000. The news of the induction of two classes of conscripts was published in German newspapers as early as November 1950.

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Since a Rumanian class of conscripts numbers about 180,000, it is doubted that it should have been possible to induct two entire classes. The number of 360,000 recruits was still substantially too high even if allowances were made for sizable contingents to be assigned to the troops of the Ministry of the Interior and labor brigades. It is therefore concluded that only contingents of the two classes were inducted in the fall of 1950.

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the 1929 class was due for induction into the Rumanian Armed Forces in 1950.

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